

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Examiner's final Office Action of March 26, 2010 issued with respect the present RCE application, the Applicant submits the accompanying Amendment of the claims and the following Remarks.

Regarding Amendment

In the Amendment:

independent claim 1 is amended to specify that the roll width printhead is supplied by separate ink reservoirs via ink supply harnesses at both longitudinal ends of the printhead, where each ink supply harness comprises printhead hoses removably attached to the printhead at a respective longitudinal end of the printhead and a self-sealing disconnect coupling having two parts which disconnectedly couple so as to couple the respective printhead hoses to the corresponding reservoir hoses. Support for this amendment can be found at page 49, line 11-page 50, line 37 and Figs. 3 and 10 of the present specification; and

dependent claims 5, 12, 13, 17, 18, 21-31, 37-42, 44, 45 and 47-49 are unchanged.

It is respectfully submitted that the Amendment does not add any new matter to the present application, nor any new issues to the prosecution of the present application.

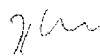
Regarding 35 USC 103(a) Rejections

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of amended independent claim 1, and claims 5, 12, 13, 17, 18, 21-31, 37-42, 44, 45 and 47-49 dependent therefrom, is not taught or suggested by any one of more of Martin, Nozawa, Petterson, Miller, Goldstein, Silverbrook, Rasmussen and Austin either considered alone or in view of one another, because none of the cited references teach or suggest arranging a roll width printhead to be supplied via ink supply harnesses at both longitudinal ends of the printhead in the manner recited in the claimed invention.

It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner's rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

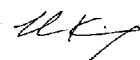
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